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We take pleasure in announcing to our readers that Mr. Joseph D. Gallagher will hereafter be associated with us as one of the editors of this paper.

The Election.

At the time we write the result of the election for President is in the gravest doubt, both sides claiming the victory. It is apparent that the result, in New York must turn on a few votes, possibly less than a hundred.

The result in Essex County, while favorable to the Republicans, is disappointing, by reason of the great reduction of Garfield's majority in 1880.

The defeat of Mr. Stansbury for Sheriff is unfortunate, for Wm. H. Brown is not the sort of man we like to see in such a position. The Sheriff selects the jurors and thus has a great influence in the administration of justice, and the Republicans who procured Brown's election will have themselves to thank for the injury they have done to Essex County.

Accepting the Result.

The saying has been so often repeated as to be true, that the Anglo-Saxon is the only race with a genius for self-government. For centuries, under a government in great measure democratic, though nominally a monarchy, England has been proving this to be true. It has remained for this republic, founded by Englishmen and built up and completed by men of the same Teutonic blood, to give the final demonstration.

In no more striking way does this genius manifest itself in this country than in the conduct and bearing of the people during and after a Presidential election. What man, a stranger to our customs, set down among us a week ago, in the heat of the closing days of the campaign, but would have said the outcome must be riot and disorder. The air was full of crimination and recrimination, of reports of deputy marshals being armed by one party and deputy sheriffs by the other; but the reports of the morning after election, instead of being of revolution, are of peace. Truly, that man would say, a strange people; breathing threatening and slaughter on one day, the next, settling down to the routine of life as quietly as if the election were twelve years instead of twelve hours in the past.

But even more notable than the conduct of the citizens at the polls is their bearing after the election. We risk nothing in saying that in no other country in the world, except Great Britain, can be seen a great party, comprising one-half the voters of the country, accepting defeat at the polls without resistance or complaint. Yet here, even under the most trying circumstances, even when smarting under the sense of having been deceived, rather than defeated, we have seen a majority of the people submitting quietly to what they believed to be fraud, rather than rebel against the forms of law.

But the severest test of all is the strain upon the nerves of the people incident to a close and disputed election. The election of 1876 showed this, and the election of 1884 bids fair, at the present time, to demonstrate it. It is before the decision, while the result is still unsettled, when the party victorious in the morning sees defeat imminent in the afternoon, and the rumors of treachery and trickery are thick, that the suspense comes. Then, even more than at other times, shines forth in its true beauty that Anglo-Saxon genius for self-government.

The cause for all this, for such results must have some fitting cause, we find to be two-fold: First, the confidence that a majority of the people want must be for the best; and, second, in the respect of the people for the laws which they themselves have made. In their respect for the will of the majority, and the forms of law, do we

find the ultimate cause of the peaceful submission of the defeated party.

Subordinate to these, but producing the same result, is the widespread conviction that, say what we may before election and differ as the parties may in their policies, neither party monopolizes all that is good either in men or principles, and that the supremacy of neither is an unmitigated evil. Especially is this true at the present time, when the issues raised by the late war have been settled and the passions engendered by it have died out; but sufficient time has not elapsed for any new and great issue to arise to divide the parties, and when as now, the policies expressed by both parties are so nearly identical. Estimate the personalities of the respective candidates from the recent election, and from the avowed principles of the contending parties a disinterested man could with difficulty distinguish them.

Under these circumstances we say, with confidence, that be the result what it may, the American people will acquiesce peacefully and quietly; and that now, as heretofore, we shall point to that submission as the strongest evidence of our fitness for self-government.

The Gas Contract.

The lighting of the gas lamps two weeks ago announced the termination of the gas war. The difficulties of adjustment were overcome by the thorough discussion of the points involved, and a spirit of mutual concession upon the part of the town authorities and the Gas Company. The basis of settlement is as follows:

1. The Gas Company is to put down, at once, pipes sufficient to supply the lamps in the following streets: Monroe place, Orange, Washington and Canal streets.

2. The Town Committee to erect, as pipes are laid, twenty lamps on this pipe.

3. The lamps are to burn 1120 hours and to have four foot burners, and are to cost \$3.50 per annum, including care of lamps.

It will be seen that the Company acceded to the request of the Committee in regard to the extension of the District. Pipes will be laid of such size as the Company may think for their best interest. The laying of three-inch mains was found to be an expensive work, not always demanded by the needs of the street lamps. It was seen that smaller pipe would answer all purposes, be more speedily laid and less expensive. This will be put down immediately if the assurances of the officers are fulfilled. The laying of mains upon Ridgewood avenue was not included by the Committee in their demands, because it would add one-half mile to the pipe laid, which, in addition to the other amounts, seemed too much to ask for at one time. The petition, which was presented at the last meeting of the Committee, will have to remain for future action. The price agreed upon is a considerable concession to the evident wish of the people for reduction. At the old price, \$2.75 per thousand foot and \$2.24 for lighting and service, the cost per lamp was \$15.56. At \$13.50, the saving will be \$2.06 per lamp, or \$186.16 upon the 236 lamps now in use. The new rate is about \$2.30 per thousand and \$3.24 for lighting.

A still further reduction would have been insisted upon, no doubt, by the Committee, but for the earnest assertion of the Company of their inability to supply gas at a less cost. This they attribute to their small works, and consequent high cost for labor, and the necessity of meeting the heavy fixed charges which still devolve upon them. The Committee have made a determined effort to secure increased accommodations for the public, and should receive the thanks of the community for the success which has attended them. While they have not secured all which might have been hoped for, the taxpayers will appreciate the reduction in price, and those living upon streets to be favored with new lamps will see reason to thank them for their plucky efforts in their behalf.

As to the officers of the Gas Company it is but fair to say, that standing as the representatives of the stockholders, they have looked at the matter from a different standpoint. In treating this matter neither the Citizens nor the Committee have desired to injure the personal character nor the deservedly high reputation of these officers. We have looked upon it merely as a business matter, to be settled in a business way. Obstruction is bad policy for a gas company. Its failure should lead to more liberal treatment of the townships in the future. New Committees will find the present settlement an efficient aid in securing proper consideration for their requests. There ought to be no gas wars, and there probably will be none in the future.

Those who have once been beaten will not be anxious to try conclusions again. We congratulate the Committee and the people upon the successful termination of their efforts to secure cheaper gas and more of it.

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Mr. Rivers is the author of the acknowledged original and best-selling book, "The English Language," a new and complete course of instruction in the English language, which will be taught in the school, together with the "Oxford English Grammar," "The English Language," and the "Oxford English Grammar." For further particulars, address, until October 30th, to Mr. H. F. Rivers, 175 State Street, Brooklyn.

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